

Southern Comfort



Gaited Horse Club

October, 2012

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Poker Ride 2012

A GREAT SUCCESS!

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Thank you for all who came out
and worked, helped, and
enjoyed
the day. Come to the meeting
and see how the Poker Ride
2012 did.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held at Sue Harwell's home in New Plymouth. Directions below. Pot luck at 6:30, meeting at 7:00. Sue will do a short presentation on getting your confidence back after losing it. We hope you will come out to Sue's Home, it's a great place for a Fall Meeting.

Directions from Sue:

Take Interstate 84 to the New Plymouth Exit, turn Right. Stay on that road through the town of New Plymouth the road curves left then right around the small market past the High School on the left. The town is small. After passing our only Hamburger place called Todd's Burger Den on right turn right on the street called Ada. Go up past railroad tracks to N.W. 1st Ave. It's a T. Turn Left. My place is on right after the white fencing and surrounded by a plowed field (formerly corn). You can't see my place because I have 200 trees but as soon as you turn the corner my place is in all the trees on the right. My truck and trailer are parked out front before driveway.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY October

1 – Janet Franden

13 – Paula Van Hoozer

Coming up:

- Lawrance Valdez Clinic on October 21st.
- Playday Fun Show on November 3rd.

Calendar

October

- 7 **Poker Ride at Eagle Island**
- 15 **Club Meeting 6:30 Social & 7:00 Meeting, Sue Harwell, New Plymouth**
- 21 **Natural Horsemanship Clinic with L. Valdez, Al Birt Arena**

November

- 3 **Playday, Al Birt Arena**
- 10-11 **Natural Horsemanship Clinic with L. Valdez, Al Birt Arena**
- 12 **Club Meeting 6:30 Social & 7:00 Meeting, TBD**

December

Christmas Party, TBD



Poker Ride 2012

Dear SCGHC:

I wanted to report back on what a wonderful experience I had traveling to Blackfoot, Idaho to participate in the Eastern Idaho State Fair.

First of all for me I have to tell all the members that Nya Bates made the trip possible for Sun's Merry Cimarron and I to go. She was gracious to transport "Cim" down there for me for not a lot of money, load, unload, feed, water, etc. She also made it possible for me to take a lesson which turned out to be most of the afternoon on Saturday before the Monday show, which helped me greatly turn Cim around from the "pace" to the 4-beat running walk. I over the last two years had slipped out of a 1st place winner in the horse show world not knowing really what exactly I was doing wrong. Nya helped me through the "feel" get back Cim's correct gait.

On Monday "Labor Day" we went to the Gaited Horse Show. It was great. There had to be about 15 competitors! What a change from our area here. I love competition. It's competing in the ring with all sorts of other horses that's fun for me. I love smiling at the people in the grandstands especially the kids. I just love a fair. All the excitement, the noise, the rides. Cim knows when he's on display too. He's a real trouper. We placed 1st in Western Equitation, English 3 Gait, and Country Pleasure. My sister a long time Tennessee Walking Horse rider also showed Cim and did really well considering she had not been in the show ring for 30+ years!

All in all It was a great experience and I would love to do it again!

Sincerely,

Sue Harwell & Horse Sun's Merry Cimarron

